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THE PRICE OF A LIFE?

Hit and run killer Jack Blohm jailed for five years after mowing down woman, with turbo charged Nissan Juke, in Hadleigh, before abandoning his car

A SPEEDING driver who struck and killed a woman crossing the road has been jailed for five years.

Phillippa Nunn, 44, was crossing the A13 London Road in Hadleigh in a 30mph zone when she was struck by a Nissan Juke.

Members of the public went to her aid until emergency services arrived.

She was taken to hospital but died a short time later.

The Nissan driver, Jack Blohm, failed to stop at the scene following the incident at 6.10am on January 7, 2016.

He abandoned the vehicle a short distance away when the car broke down and fled on foot.

He contacted police just over three hours later and was located and arrested a short time later.

A court heard he struck Mrs Nunn while driving at a speed of between 51mph and 58mph.

Had he been travelling at 30mph, the collision would have been avoided.

Blohm, 51, of Leigh Road, Leigh-on-Sea, was charged with causing death by dangerous driving, which he denied, and stood trial at Chelmsford Crown Court on Monday, February 5, 2018.

A jury found him guilty on Wednesday, February 7 and he was jailed the same day for five

years and disqualified from driving for six-and-a-half years.

Investigating officer De James Lee said after the hearing: "As police officers, we deal with too many sad cases in which people lose their lives on the roads and we know all too well the devastation this causes for the families they leave behind.

"The most tragic aspect of this particular case is that Phillippa Nunn's death was entirely preventable.

"Travelling at the speeds which Blohm did and in the terrible weather conditions that morning, showed a complete disregard to safety of all other people using the road.

"Speed limits are carefully considered and put in place for a reason and had Blohm been travelling within the 30mph limit, Mrs Nunn would have been able to safely cross the road."

Mrs Nunn's family said: "We as a family are relieved to finally get some justice for Pip.

"She was a lively and larger than life personality who will be greatly missed, not only by her family but by every person that has met her.

"Finally we have got some closure and while we will always remember, we can move on and live as Pip would want us to."



KILLER: Jack Blohm, 51, of Leigh Road, Leigh, denied causing death by dangerous driving after fleeing the scene of his 50mph collision with pedestrian Phillippa Nunn, just after 6am, in January 2016.

'Had Blohm been travelling within the 30mph limit, Mrs Nunn would have been able to safely cross the road.'



TRAGIC: Phillippa Nunn, a 'lively and larger than life personality who will be greatly missed'.

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A GANG of gun-dealers from Romford, Southend and Dagenham has been jailed for a combined 29 and a half years for firearm offences.

The four offenders were sentenced at Maidstone Crown Court on Thursday, February 8, after pleading guilty to firearm charges.

Spencer Tapper, 27, of School Road, Dagenham, received a 15-year prison sentence for two counts of possessing a firearm and two counts of possessing ammunition. Aymon Popo, 33, of Highfield Road, Romford, got six-and-a-half years for conspiracy to possess a firearm and ammunition with intent to endanger life.

Mahesh Chaitoo, 28, of Beresford Road, Southend, was jailed for five-and-a-half years for possession of a firearm. Sandy Hunter, 33, of Goresbrook Road, Dagenham, got two-and-a-half years for assisting an offender.

The court heard that officers from the Metropolitan Police Service's Trident squad raided a property in Goresbrook Road, Dagenham, on November 16, 2016. Inside they found a handgun containing 15 bullets and a spare 20 rounds.

Hunter was arrested and

Gun gang jailed for a total of 29 years



PRISON: From left, Spencer Tapper, Aymon Popo, Mahesh Chaitoo and Sandy Hunter

charged that day. Officers then discovered she had been in contact with Tapper on online messaging service WhatsApp, and that she was holding the gun and ammunition on his behalf.

On February 19, 2017, Tapper and Chaitoo travelled to Ramsgate, Kent, to collect a handgun. They were stopped on the M2 by police, who discovered a handgun and 42 bullets in the car boot.

Popo was linked to the investigation by subsequent enquiries, which determined he was a conduit between Tapper and Chaitoo.

Detective Inspector Tim Grinstead said: "This was a very complex investigation, with the defendants carrying and exchanging firearms across London and Kent."

"Their sentences reflect just how seriously the courts take this type of offending."



SEIZED: Bullets and a gun

NEWS IN BRIEF

● A SCHOOL in Westcliff hosted a careers evening last week for students interested in entering the medical profession.

Nearly 200 guests attended Westcliff High School for Boys (WHSB) on Wednesday, and listened to four speakers from the profession, including Dr Kashif Siddiqui, chairman of NHS Castle Point and Rochford Clinical Commissioning Group.

Nicki Weller, the school's careers advisor and WRL coordinator, said: "We had an amazingly good representation from the local community as well as WHSB and we will continue to host careers events such as these to inspire the generations to come."

● A FURTHER public meeting will be held in Southend to discuss plans for the future of healthcare across mid and south Essex.

The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 7 in the maritime room at the Cliffs Pavilion from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Proposals set out by the Mid and South Essex Sustainability and Transformation Partnership are out to public consultation and will be discussed.

To book a place visit www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/mid-amp-south-essex-sustainability-and-transformation-partnership-stp-15872139649, call 01245 398118 or email meccg.stpconsultation@nhs.net.

● A COLLEGE is offering bitesize community workshops.

Southend Adult Community College has two-hour sessions for a month at Southchurch Centre in Ambleside Drive.

The free workshops are open to all and topics include walking and cycling in Southend and energy advice.

Bitesize programme manager Tuula Pienkuukka said the courses are a really good stepping stone into education.

To book a place call 01702 445700 or register online at www.southend-adult.ac.uk.

Airport's plane de-icing unit 'first of its kind in the country'

A PURPOSE built aircraft de-icing unit has been opened at Southend Airport, which it claims is the first of its kind at an airport in the country.

An airport spokesman said it would increase efficiency and speed up de-icing when cold weather hits. He added that aircraft can be de-iced at the unit before taxiing for take-off, rather than when on a stand.

Glyn Jones, chief executive officer of airport owner Stobart Aviation, said: "This



INNOVATION: A plane is de-iced at Southend Airport

new de-icing facility is another example of London Southend leading the way within the aviation industry, using innovative, brand new technology to provide a much

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Construction of the unit began in October and it has been tested and approved by

the airport's airline partners easyJet and Stobart Air.

Captain Chris Foster, flight operations performance manager at easyJet, said: "We welcome the installation of the new de-icing facility as part of a UK first at London Southend Airport."

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NEWS

Police in appeal to trace potential witness

POLICE are trying to trace a potential witness who may have information that can assist them with an investigation into a reported incident in Southend.

Officers are investigating a report that a woman aged in her 40s was raped in the York Road area on the evening of Thursday, October 26.

They want to trace a man who is being treated as a potential witness and was seen in the area at 10.10pm.

He had walked from York Road to Southend Central train station.

Police are also still trying to trace another potential witness who was seen crossing the Queensway dual carriageway just before 9.50pm



SEARCH: A CCTV image of a man police want to question

on that day. He was wearing light coloured jeans, a white top and a dark jacket.

He was walking in the direction of Southend town centre at the same time a man and a woman were crossing the road and walking in the opposite direction.

Both men are being asked to contact the Adult Sexual

Abuse Investigation Team at Southend on 101.

Collin Gibson, 26, of East Street, Southend, has been charged with rape and a burglary on October 26 and possession of cannabis on November 3.

He denied the rape and burglary charges and is due to stand trial at Basildon Crown Court on April 23.

Magistrate rapped for being too close to case

A MAGISTRATE has been reprimanded by judicial heads after becoming "too close" to an ongoing case.

Officials at the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office say Jane Bunting,

who hears cases in Essex, has been given a formal warning. They say senior judges concluded, after an investigation, that her actions had fallen below the standard expected of a mag-

istrate. Detail has emerged in a statement on the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office website.

It said: "Mrs Jane Bunting JP, a magistrate appointed to the South Essex Bench, was

subject to a judicial conduct investigation as a result of becoming too close to a difficult situation involving a friend and a case that was proceeding before Mrs Bunting's own bench."

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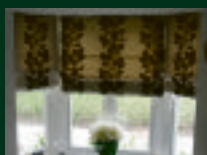
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PURPLE REIGN: Alison Dewey from Southend BID and Cllr Ann Holland in Southend High street

Night-time safety award 'shows town has much to offer'

SOUTHEND has won an award for night-time safety – for the fifth year in a row.

The town has retained the Purple Flag, which recognises safe night-time economies.

A working group, made up of members of the public, private and voluntary sectors, including Essex Police, Southend Business Improvement District (BID) and Southend Street Pastors, worked to achieve the award.

Cllr Ann Holland, deputy council leader, said: "We are thrilled that we have once

again maintained our Purple Flag status for night time safety in Southend-on-Sea.

"With this being our fifth consecutive award, we are now showing that Southend has much to offer, not only day-trippers, but also those looking for a night out with their family and friends.

"Whilst any busy town and city centre will have its issues, this award highlights the areas where community safety for the night-time economy is taken seriously, allowing visitors to safely enjoy their night

in our town."

Southend BID manager, Alison Dewey, added: "The BID works continuously to make Southend a safe and attractive place to visit, both during the day and night.

"I'm very proud that Southend has retained its Purple Flag status, thanks in part to the BID and we will continue to strive to make Southend a safe, happy and vibrant place to come on a date, enjoy a party, go clubbing or bring the family for a fun night out together."

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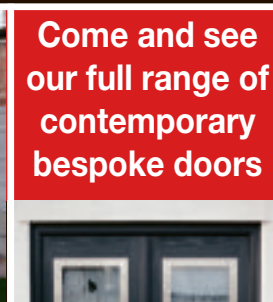
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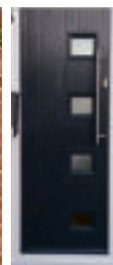
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Housing plan at Range site

STAFF have been told their jobs are safe after a superstore site was earmarked for housing.

The site of The Range superstore is set to be included within the Better Queensway project boundary just months after the land was purchased by Southend Council.

The authority said the move would see an increase in the proposed number of 'affordable' homes in the town.

The approval was recommended to be made at a meeting of the council's cabinet on Tuesday.

A council spokesman said the move would enable it to ask a potential joint

venture development partner to provide more than the current 441 'affordable' homes included in the plans for around 1,300 homes. He said the Range superstore would remain somewhere in Southend. The council's deputy leader Ann Holland confirmed the authority would involve The Range as it goes forward with its plans.

She said the council bought the freehold for the property in August as part of its commercial property investment programme to bring in more income.

Cllr Holland added: "We are now recommending that this site is included within the overall development area

and considered part of the regeneration opportunity as we search for a joint venture partner. We have written to the Range to inform them of this and also to reassure them and their staff that we see them as a key retailer for Southend, both now and in the future, that we are still at a very early stage."

The cabinet members were also due to approve the beginning of a process to find a joint venture partner to deliver the Better Queensway project.

As well as the plans for new homes, the project also intends to create better access to the town centre.

The council spokesman said it was

confirmed earlier this month that the preferred transport layout would retain four lanes heading to and from the seafront. A public consultation into the council's plans was held at the end of last year and details of how responses have fed into the plans were included in a report before the meeting.

The YA reported last week that the council had been successful in its bid for £15million funding from the Government's Housing Infrastructure Fund. Cllr Holland added: "This is the largest regeneration scheme being undertaken in the borough since the 1960s and it is vital we get this right."



HOUSES? The Range site has been earmarked for development

"I am very pleased that we have got to this stage and look forward to starting the official search for a development partner by the end of March."

The YA contacted The Range for a response but had not received one at the time of going to press.

Be prepared for Shoebury shop refurb

A SCOUT charity shop in Shoeburyness has re-opened after being shut for refurbishment.

The Southend Estuary District Scout Shop, in Ness Road, was given a make over, including a redecoration that matches the district colours, as well as

new flooring and shelving installed.

Volunteers, including explorer scouts, have spent more than 1,000 hours in total on the refurbishment work, which has seen the shop closed since the start of the year. It has since reopened and all proceeds go to the district scouts.



SHOP: Frank Castle along with Will and Jen Davis at the refurbished Southend estuary Scout shop

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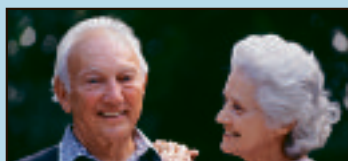
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A SERIES of public lectures is being launched by Southend Adult Community College.

'Lectures-on-Sea' will feature topics ranging from the history of Southend to Brexit and includes talks from experts, authors and academics. The lectures will be delivered by the college, in Ambleside Drive.

Syd Moore, author and writer in residence for the Essex Book Festival, kicks off the series on Saturday, February 24 with a glimpse into her research into historical witch hunts.

Claire Gavaghan, the college's vice principal, said: "Lectures-on-Sea offers the community ways of looking at and learning about new top-

ics. Whether it is history, literature, politics, or art, we want to welcome people to a space where they can relax, listen and engage with information and new ideas.

"We are delighted to have Syd Moore as our inaugural guest lecturer. She is a local author who is inspired by history and the legacy of the 19th century Essex witch trials.

"I am sure this is going to be an interesting start to this community focused lecture series."

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PRAISE: Chloe Payne, Shannon and Saphron Collison with their award certificates

Recognised for voluntary work and dedication

YOUNGSTERS have been awarded with certificates for their voluntary work at youth clubs in Southend.

The young people, aged 13 to 17, were presented with achievement certificates which marked their progress in the Triple T's Club Buddy Scheme, which is targeted at teenagers who volunteer at the Triple T

youth clubs on three of Southend's estates.

The Triple T clubs are delivered to 80 children and the project is run by the Turning Tides team at Southend Association of Voluntary Services (SAVS) and funded by Children in Need.

A SAVS spokesman said the buddy scheme aims to build responsibility, confidence and

leadership skills in young people who have previously been members of the Triple T's club.

Anthony Quinn, Turning Tides manager, said: "It's great to be able to recognise the hard work and dedication these inspiring young people have put back into the clubs that some of them have previously been members of for years."

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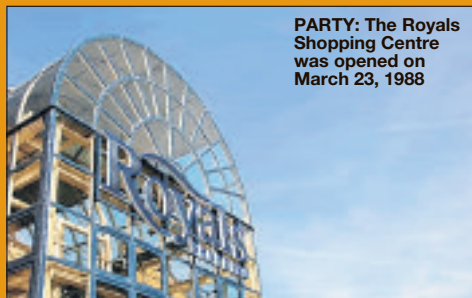
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PARTY: The Royals Shopping Centre was opened on March 23, 1988

A SHOPPING centre in Southend is celebrating its 30th birthday with a number of free events.

The Royals Shopping Centre, on High Street, was opened on Wednesday, March 23, 1988 by actor and singer Jason Donovan.

It was completed after more than two years of construction and had more than 30 stores.

Throughout March, the centre will be putting on free activities for visitors to experience each weekend as it marks the occasion.

These include Mother's Day weekend festivities and a fashion show on Saturday, March 24.

On March 25, numerous choirs will perform at the centre, including Funky Voices and The Show

Choir, while staff will be handing out free daffodils for Mother's Day on Sunday, March 11 and gold chocolate coins to commemorate St Patrick's Day on March 17.

For more information about the events visit www.royalssshoppingcentre.co.uk, like the centre's Facebook page or follow @royalssshopping on Twitter.

Police take action against drivers after other road users send 49 video clips

ESSEX Police has revealed it received more than 100 videos in the first month of a campaign to reduce collisions on roads across the county.

The footage was received by the force as part of Safer Essex Road Partnership's (SERP) Extra Eyes campaign, which encourages road users to submit videos showing dangerous road

behaviour. It was launched in December and a police spokesman confirmed it had taken action regarding 49 of the clips.

Police sent out 33 notice of intended prosecutions (NIPs) for careless driving as a result of footage submitted, while one was issued for dangerous driving. Eleven road users received a letter from the

police warning them about their behaviour.

The spokesman said seven videos showed road collisions which were passed on to the Essex Police CRASH team.

Matt Hine, from Essex Police Operational Tasking Unit, said: "We're very pleased with the initial response from the road-using public to Extra Eyes.

"Almost fifty per cent of the video clips we've received have led to action against drivers who hopefully will understand that their behaviour could have led to disastrous consequences and will modify their behaviour going forward.

"We'd also like to remind people they can use the Extra Eyes link to provide

us with information relating to drink or drug-drive offences, or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."

To see examples of the type of footage SERP is asking people to submit, along with full guidance about how to submit footage go to <https://saferessexroads.org/extrayes>.

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READERS' LETTERS

Give us two more choices

WELL said, David Bodimeade (*YA Letters*, Feb 9). Spoken like a true Europhile.

Ignore the democratically arrived at leave result. What does 17.4million people's votes matter anyway?

Make them all vote again and this time give them two choices, "stay in the EU" or "don't leave the EU", that way we will get the result we demand. This is the EU's version of democracy and obviously Mr Bodimeade's too.

Once again Project Fear raises its ugly head. A so-called "leaked" document, conveniently declaring a doom-laden future allows devious remainers to embellish this misinformation and the weak-minded, the easily led and the gullible persons to fall for the deceit and set them running, with their tails between their legs for the "protection" of the EU, just as the "leaked" document intended.

If this is the beginning of Project Fear Mk II we can expect many more leaks, lies and misinformation from the leave camp, all of which should be taken with a pinch of salt.

Project Fear failed miserably last time. People saw through the lies and will do so again. Project Fear has cried wolf once too often.

Mr Bodimeade claims EU citizens will simply enter the UK via Ireland after Brexit. This would make them illegal immi-

grants and they would be treated as such. No stable employment, no NHS, no benefits and the constant fear of being caught. Would it be worth their while? I doubt it.

In this, the centennial year of votes for some but not all women, I find it disturbing that Mr Bodimeade and most remain supporters treat the hard-earned, world leading UK electoral system with such contempt.

To demand a second referendum is a joke. A vote was taken on June 23, 2016. Leave the EU was the clear message and that message cannot be overturned just because some people didn't like the result.

S. Page
Rayleigh

Go for a hard Brexit and just leave

SO the masters of the EU are going to force us to us to insure all off-road vehicles.

Can you believe they are drawing up directives to make us insure our golf buggies and mobility scooters?

Plus they want to take up more space by giving me waste bins that I don't need.

Road tax on bicycles will be next. Are they completely mad or just taking the Mick?

Of course, this is only two of the 37 directives they wish to impose and I expect there will still be many in the UK that STILL want to stay in Europe like Paul Martin, who for

some reason tries to make the Brexit issue more complicated by using experts' opinions only if they suit his purpose.

I would advise Mr Martin to develop an original idea of his own instead of being motivated by letters being written by people that, unlike him, know what they are talking about.

The question is simple, Who do you prefer to run the UK, the British Government or European dictators?

And who should we be helping financially - other countries whose governments don't care about their people, or those struggling in the UK?

On his border comment, what part of free movement does he not understand?

The EU would be laughable if it was not becoming too serious to ignore. Surely our government will ignore the EU's directives if they are interested in representing us in the way that they should be.

I find it difficult to understand why people still want to remain part of Europe when they seem to believe now that they can do what they want with us.

Are they just testing us to see how far they can go and do they believe that we are all so weak that we will continue to roll over and continue to obey all of their dictatorial rules?

Well, Mr Martin, some of us may be weak but not I.

I want to see our prime minister and her Government show some leadership and have the courage to stand up for the UK instead of running scared.

We want to leave the EU and you have had your instruc-

tions. Do it now or find someone who can, let's go for the hardest Brexit and just leave.

Keith Little
Benfleet

Bus route change could save money

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Mrs E Ainslie
Wickford

Changing our minds on exiting EU

KEITH Knight would play down the role of the Leave campaign's big bus in the EU referendum result getting on for two years ago and the fact that the govern-

ment cannot, even yet, make up its mind which sort of Brexit, if any, would be for the best (*YA Letters*, Feb 9).

But people don't... they now know that they were taken for a colourful ride by the damn thing... they now know they were lied to... they now know they're not going to get the sort of Brexit they were promised... and many hitherto Leave supporters are now pragmatically wondering if any of it is worth the emotional bother of seeing red about the matter.

And on a question of such importance to our economic wellbeing that will affect the direction of the nation for decades democracy demands that, if necessary, we be granted the means to change our minds.

This is not subverting the will of the people by any stretch of the imagination.

For sure the EU is about much else besides, I agree.

It's about employment rights... it's about pollution... it's about co-operation in scientific research, policing et al... and it's about the redevelopment of run-down areas and politically entwined economies that makes war between European nations unthinkable again.

In short, it's about doing together that which is not possible to do alone.

Moreover, could any British

government legitimately lead this nation along a path that the evidence and rational consideration indicate would be damaging no matter what a lied to people said in a one-off result? Emotionally opposed Brextremists like Keith Knight notwithstanding.

John Haran
Leigh-on-Sea

Will PM slam council over plan update?

AT PMQs on February 7, the prime minister condemned Thanet District Council for not having a new local plan in place and rounded on them for not having renewed the plan since their adopted version in 2006.

Quite rightly too! Can the residents of Castle Point be assured that Theresa May will equally condemn our local councillors, from the Tory and Canvey Independence parties for their tardiness and wasted money for not managing to, as yet, successfully update the 1998 Local Plan which was put in place by the then Labour administration?

Brian Wilson
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COLOURS: South Essex College staff and students wear red for charity

College sees red in charity challenge

STUDENTS and staff at South Essex College wore red last Friday to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital.

The dress down day at the college raised £300 for the hospital and was organised by A-level business students.

They are taking on a challenge to raise as much as possible for the hospital by July.

Representatives from the hos-

pital visited the college to speak to business students about the challenge, which sees schools and colleges compete to raise the most money.

The winning team is rewarded with a tour of the hospital.

Jodie Kiss, 16, a business A-level student, said: "The course focuses on business techniques and profit margins so when we were approached by Great

Ormond Street Hospital we knew it would be a great opportunity to put what we have learnt in the classroom into practice.

"It's a great charity to support and we're organising a number of other events to raise more money.

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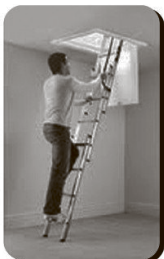
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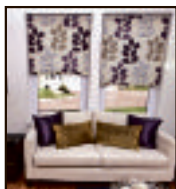
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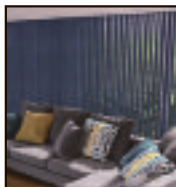
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LIFESTYLE

Oh boy, it's Buddy!

By Lewis Berrill

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GET ready to Rave On, Buddy Holly is rocking and rolling into town. The critically acclaimed rock 'n' roll musical The Buddy Holly Story will be playing at the Brookside Theatre, Romford, from Wednesday, February 14 to Saturday, February 24.

Almost 60 years ago Holly died in a tragic airplane crash that shocked the world – an incident dubbed “The day music died” by songwriter Don McClean.

He was just 22 years old. However, in his brief three years as a musician, he had written and recorded over 100 songs, and influenced many famous names who followed in his footsteps.

Holly is often regarded as the artist who defined the traditional rock 'n' roll line-up of two guitars, bass, and drums.

He was a major influence on later popular music artists, including Bob Dylan, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Eric Clapton, and Sir Elton John.

He was among the first artists inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, in 1986.

Rolling Stone magazine ranked him number 13 in its list of 100 Greatest Artists.

His music was fresh and exciting and spoke to a generation.

This dynamic, heart-rending and unforgettable musical immortalises Holly's all too brief life and tells the story of the three years in which he became one of the world's most popular recording artists.

Experience the drama, passion and excitement as a cast of talented actors and musicians tell the story, from Holly's meteoric rise to fame, to his final performance at The Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake, Iowa.

It's a celebration of the man, his music and life that catches that unique mixture of innocence, determination, humour and charm that was Holly and this production stars some of the finest actor-musicians in the UK fronted by one of the UK's top Holly tributes, Gordon Taggart.

Theatre manager Jai Sepple said: “This is certainly a story that deserves to be told.

Buddy Holly did not inspire the awe and fan insanity that Elvis Presley did; nor was he able, like Chuck Berry, to stand above the fray and comment upon it.

“Although he was a star, he still sounded and looked like a regular guy.

“He was a brilliantly gifted and influential musician as well as an intriguing and complicated young man who remained true to himself in every aspect of his life.”

The electrifying show is packed with more than 20 of the greatest songs ever written, including That'll Be The Day, Oh! Boy, Rave On, La Bamba, Chantilly Lace, Johnny B. Goode, Peggy Sue, True Love Ways, Think It Over, Not Fade Away and Raining In My Heart among others.

This dazzling rock 'n' roll extravaganza will have audiences, young and old, rocking and bopping in the aisles.

Formed in 2012, the Brookside Theatre labels itself as Essex's “premier musical theatre group”.

The company, headed by the theatre's artistic

team, Jai and Harri Sepple, staged their first show, Shout

The Mod Musical in May 2012, which

marked the opening of the Brookside Theatre and, since then, it has gone on to present a variety of shows including Avenue Q, The Addams Family Musical, The

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BLACK PANTHER (12A, 134 mins)

THE lucrative Marvel Comics universe will expand exponentially in the next 12 months. Avengers: Infinity War and Ant-Man And The Wasp are waiting in the wings, tightly coiled with droll humour and hyperkinetic energy to discharge during the summer blockbuster months.

First out of the blocks is a rousing stand-alone adventure for the eponymous African king we first encountered in a snazzy vibranium-enriched bodysuit in Captain America: Civil War.

If Black Panther, directed with swagger by Ryan Coogler, is emblematic of things to come from the comic books pantheon then roll on 2018 because this frenetically edited odyssey of self-doubt and redemption is the cat's whiskers.

In some respects, this is identikit filmmaking from Marvel: prodigal sons tormented by the loss of powerful fathers, CGI characters trading bone-crunching blows in mid-air, a cameo for creator Stan Lee and extra scenes concealed in end credits.

Coogler's slinky picture is

Cat's whiskers

barnstorming entertainment of the highest pedigree which sinks its narrative claws into present-day racial tensions and gender inequality with relish.

Female characters are feisty, intelligent and refuse to sit demurely on the sidelines while engaging yet flawed male counterparts have all the fun.

As one proud warrior reminds her regal lover: the choice to rule as queen rests in her hands.

A predominantly black cast festooned with Oscar winners and nominees adds lustre to a script teasing out romance and rivalries stained with tears of regret. T'Challa (Chadwick Boseman) returns to grief-stricken Wakanda after the murder of his father, King T'Chaka (John Kani), in a terrorist bombing.

Four of the nation's five clans support his ascension, but the Jabari mountain people commanded by M'Baku (Winston Duke) loudly voice their opposition.

Fragile alle-

giances fracture and CIA-trained operative Erik "Killmonger" Stevens (Michael B. Jordan) chooses this moment to stage a bloody coup.

Flanked by bodyguard Okoye (Danai Gurira), T'Challa rouses his supporters including his mother Ramonda (Angela Bassett), sister Shuri (Letitia Wright) and old flame Nakia (Lupita Nyong'o).

Pulse-quickening skirmishes are choreographed at a furious pace, and a car chase through the night-time streets of Busan in South Korea employs slow motion acrobatics to dizzying effect.

Coogler's film purrs during quieter, contemplative moments too as conflicted characters wrestle with moral obligations to share wealth and knowledge with less fortunate kin.

That blistering tug-of-war between self-preservation and philanthropy provides dramatic meat for the cast to sink their teeth into.

"The world's going to start over and I'm going to be on top," growls Killmonger.

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Saturday, February 17

- The Aidan Players in Henry's Magic Jam, fun family panto – St Aidan's Church Hall, The Fairway, Leigh-on-Sea, 3pm and 7.30pm. Tickets £6 from 01702 208747.
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- Coffee Morning and sale of goods – Christ Church, Wickford, 9am to noon.
- Club 50+ – 1B Queen's Road, Southend, 9.30am-3.30pm, daily, £2 day pass, details 01702 346863.
- Sunshine Coffee Morning – for parents in Craylands and Felmores area, Briscoe Community Centre, 9-11am, free workshop, coffee and creche. Call 07880 035968, or just turn up.
- Dance Class – usually six-week course, ballroom, Latin American, Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall. Info: 01702 546219/542349.
- Leigh Scramble Club – 7-10pm. Wesley Hall, Leigh Broadway, Leigh-on-Sea. Turn up or call 01268 727915.
- Senior Citizens Club – Richmond Hall, Benfleet, 1.30-3.30pm.
- Counselling Service – Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call anytime and we will get back to you, 01702 524346, enquiries@olivetreecentre.org.uk.
- Over-50s Keep-fit Classes – Fryerns Community Centre, Pat 01268 770294.
- Duplicate Bridge – Balmoral Bridge Club, Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh (opp Thames Drive), 1.15pm-4.30pm, call 01702 343611 or 01702 520993.
- Duplicate Bridge – Thorpe Bay Bridge Club, 62 Southchurch Blvd, Southend, all standards, 2-4.45pm (no partner needed), 7.30-10.30pm, call Danny 07843 771774.
- Weekly Craft Workshop – St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, 6-8pm, Michelle 07730 582784.
- Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic Group – 8-10pm, Bowers and Pitsea Football Club, Crown Avenue, Pitsea. SS13 2BE. 07913 426371, join@basildonplayers.co.uk.
- Zumba – Pitsea Day Centre Over-50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, 9.15-10am. 01268 465432.
- Short Mat Bowls Club in Hadleigh – welcomes new members, Canvey Short Mat Bowls Club, call Kevin 01268 792433.
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- Indoor Short Mat Bowls – Prittlewell Bowls Club, Priory Park, Southend, Ray 01268 777666.
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- Senior Citizens Club – Ghylgrove Centre, Bultneys, 1.30-3.30pm, 01268 293995.
- Evening of clairvoyance – 57 Point Road, Canvey, SS8 7TT, 3pm, £3 all profits to charity. Tel: 07922 001433 or 01268 691922.
- Development Healing Circle – Face Salon, Burdett Avenue, Westcliff, understanding of spiritual healing and prayer, 8-9.30pm, 07879 004744.
- Fitness Walking – from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh-on-Sea, 7.15-8.15pm, 01702 715509.
- Scrabble Club – Wesley Church Hall, Elm Road, Leigh Broadway, no partner needed, 7-10pm, £3, call 01268 727915.
- Hadleigh Castle Townswomen's Guild – Appliance Hall, Old Fire Station, High Street SS7 2PA, 1.30-3.30pm. Visitors £2.50.
- IT help sessions – Billericay Library, 10.30am to noon. Details 01277 624624.

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- Painting class – The Studio, Gibelands Nursery, Hawkwell, Hockley, SS5 4JY, 10.30am-12.30pm. Details 01702 30717.
- Yoga Class – Thorpedene Community Centre, Delaware Road, Shoeburyness, 7-8.30pm, £6, bring a blanket and yoga mat, ages 16-plus. 07961 314983.
- Social Dance Class – ballroom, Latin American and sequence, 8.30-10.30pm, Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall, 01702 546219/542349.
- Craft Group – Oasis Coffee House, 189 Leigh Rd, Leigh, 2.30-4pm. 01702 471873.
- Social Dance – 1.45pm, St Cedd's Church, Bridgewater Drive, Westcliff. Ballroom, sequence, Latin, 01702 618771.
- Evening of clairvoyance – St Cecilia's Christian Spiritualist Church, 9 Lord Roberts Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, 7.15pm, £2.50.
- Folk Music – The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, Royal British Legion, 7/9 Northview Drive, Westcliff, 8pm. 01702 715111.
- Singles Social Group – The Mews, Nelson Mews off Clarence Road car park, Southend, age 50-plus, 8pm, 07970 432994.
- Singles Friendship Club for 50-plus – South Benfleet Social Club, 8.15pm, details Maureen 01268 692998.
- Table Top Sale – Outpatients Foyer, Southend Hospital, 9.30am-3pm. Breathe Easy Southend, helping support people with lung problems. 01702 258661.
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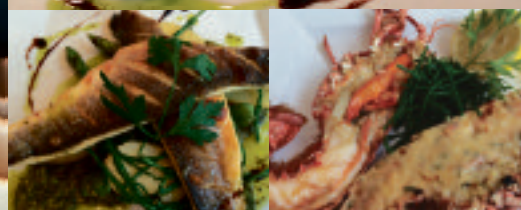
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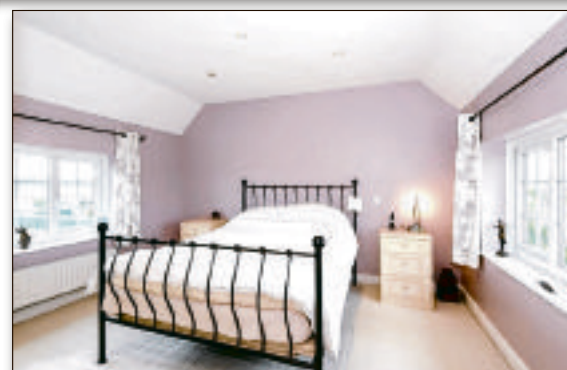
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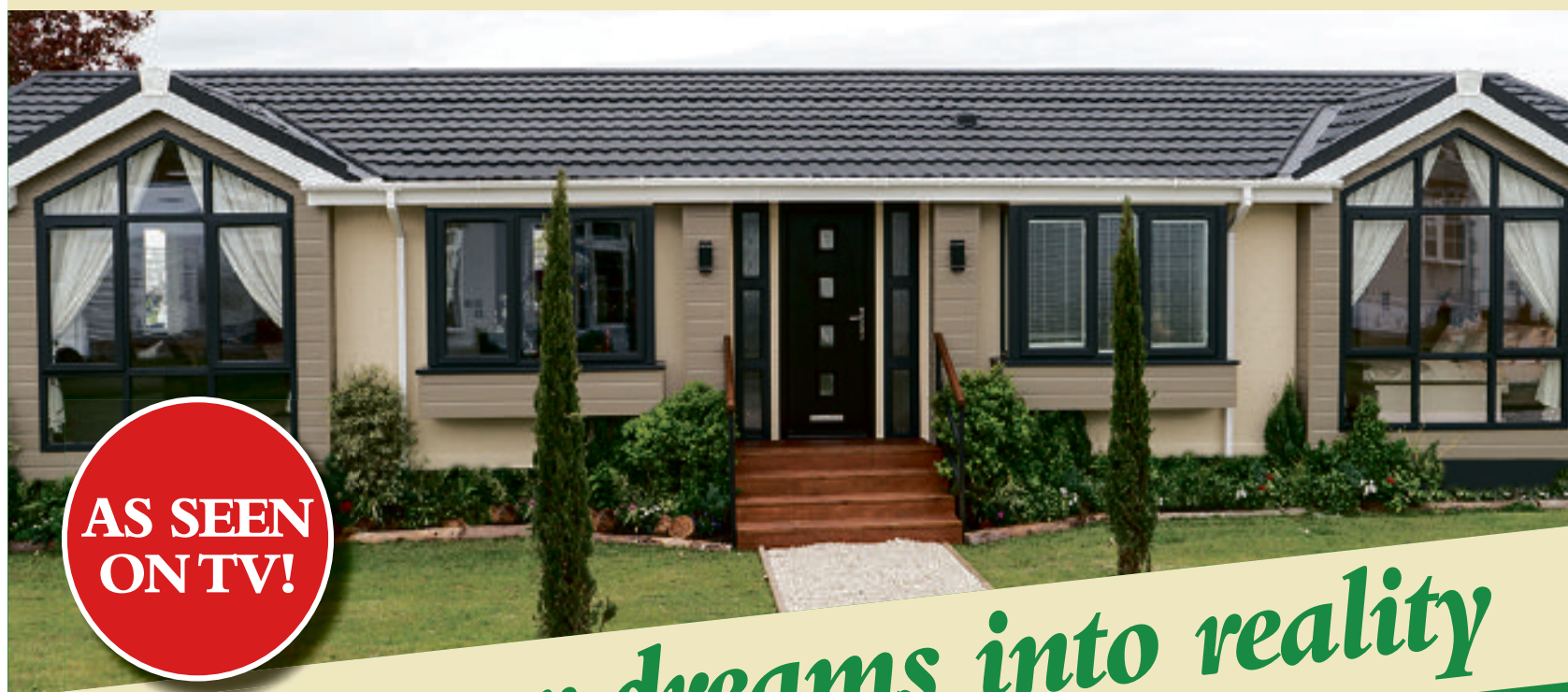
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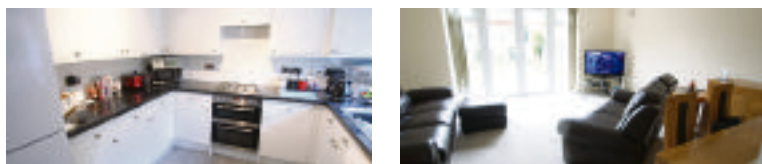


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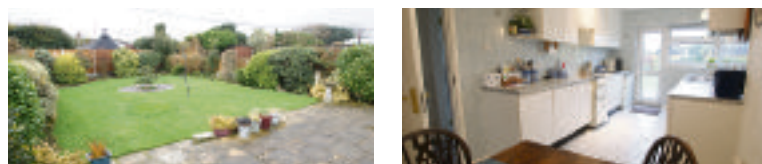
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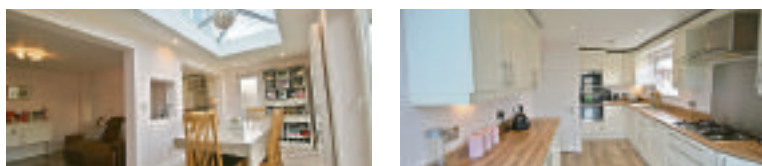
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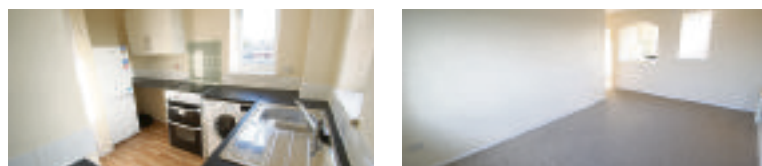
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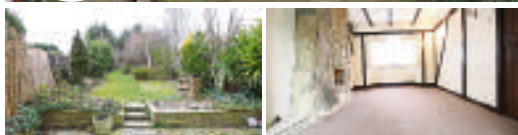
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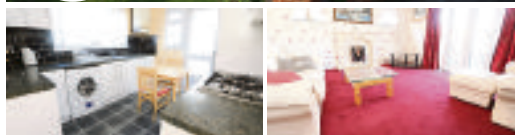
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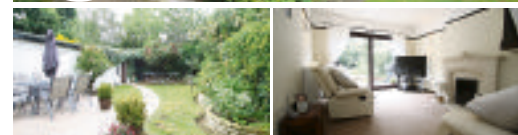
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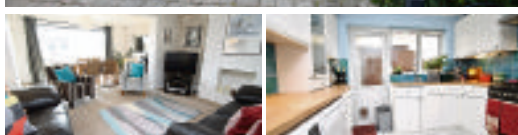
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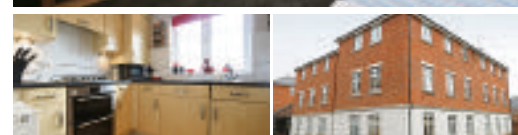
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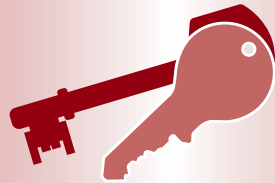


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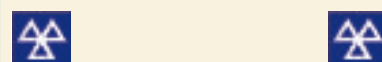
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Notice is hereby given that Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the act of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 the effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order by the adding and deleting of the items listed below and the updating of Map Tile Schedules O15, Q12, S25, T19, T20, T21, U19, U20, V29 & W29.

AMENDMENT NO. 4 ORDER 2018

To introduce No Waiting at Any Time on the following lengths of Road

| Road | Side of Road | Proposed Description |
|--------------------------|--------------|--|
| High Street Shoeburyness | South-East | From its junction with Gunners Road southwards for approximately 15 metres |
| Burlescombe Road | Both | To 15 metres west of its junction with Maplin Way North |

To introduce No Waiting 7am - 7pm Daily on the following lengths of Road

| Road | Side of Road | Proposed Description |
|------------------|--------------|---|
| Hobleythick Lane | East | Between Nos. 14 and 20 Hobleythick Lane |
| Hobleythick Lane | West | Between Nos. 17 and 29 Hobleythick Lane |

To introduce Limited Waiting 2 hours no return within 4 hours Monday to Saturday 9am to 6pm on the following lengths of Road

| Road | Side of Road | Proposed Description |
|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Eastwood Boulevard | North-East | The parking bay outside Nos. 27 to 33 Eastwood Boulevard |

To introduce Limited Waiting 20 mins no return within 4 hours Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm on the following lengths of Road

| Road | Side of Road | Proposed Description |
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AMENDMENT NO. 5 ORDER 2018

To introduce No Waiting at Any Time on the following lengths of Road

| Road | Side of Road | Proposed Description |
|------------------|--------------|--|
| Ambleside Drive | South | From the east end of the Adult Community College to its junction with Victoria Road |
| Ambleside Drive | North | Outside Nos. 105 - 107 Ambleside Drive |
| Ambleside Drive | South | 10 metres east and west of its junction with Brunswick Road |
| Ambleside Drive | North | Between 85 Ambleside Drive and a point opposite the eastern flank wall of the Adult Community College |
| Ambleside Drive | South | From its junction with Park Lane to the western flank wall of the Adult Community College |
| Kensington Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
| Brunswick Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
| Ambleside Drive | North | Between nos.167 - 173 Ambleside Drive |
| Ambleside Drive | South | 12.5 metres west of its junction with Sandringham Road to 10 metres east of its junction with Sandringham Road |
| Sandringham Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
| Ambleside Drive | North | Between nos. 191 - 197 Ambleside Drive |
| Ambleside Drive | South | 10 metres east and west of its junction with Marlborough Road |
| Marlborough Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
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| Ambleside Drive | South | 10 metres east and west of its junction with Huntingdon Road |
| Huntingdon Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
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| Ambleside Drive | North | Between nos. 235 - 241 Ambleside Drive |
| Rutland Avenue | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |

| Road | Side of Road | Proposed Description |
|-----------------|--------------|---|
| Ambleside Drive | North | Between nos. 11 - 43 Ambleside Drive |
| Ambleside Drive | North | Between nos. 59 - 65 Ambleside Drive |
| Ambleside Drive | North | From No. 77 Ambleside Drive to the junction with Chase Road |
| Ambleside Drive | South | From its junction with Southchurch Avenue to a point opposite the common boundary between nos. 9 - 11 Ambleside Drive |
| Ambleside Drive | South | From 7 metres west of its junction with Honiton Road to a point 10 metres east of its junction with Honiton Road |
| Honiton Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
| Ambleside Drive | South | 10 metres east and west of its junction with Cheltenham Road |
| Cheltenham Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
| Ambleside Drive | South | 10 metres east and west of its junction with Leamington Road |
| Leamington Road | Both | From its junction with Ambleside Drive southwards for 10 metres |
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| Honiton Road | Both | 10 metres north and south of its junction with York Road |

REVOCATIONS

THE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS) (STOPPING, WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, PARKING PLACES AND PERMIT PARKING ZONES) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2016

No Waiting at Any Time

Ambleside Drive Item Nos. 105338, 105339, 105341, 105343, 105346, 105348, 105347, 105333, 105334, 105335, 105336, 105369, 105331, 105274, 105275 & 105330
Kensington Road Item Nos. 105311 & 105310 Brunswick Road Item Nos. 105345, 105344
Sandringham Road Item Nos. 105349 & 105350 Honiton Road Item Nos. 105270 & 105271
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Alternative Monthly Waiting

Windsor Road item Nos. 111236 & 111239, Osborne Road item Nos. 111228 & 111231

THE BOROUGH OF SOUTHEND-ON-SEA (Various Roads)(Consolidation of Moving Traffic and Speed Limit) Order 2006 (As Amended) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) ORDER 2018 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make an Order under Section 1, 2, (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and Section 73 Schedule 7 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Act 1984, the effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order by adding those items listed in the Schedule below:

The Borough of Southend-on-Sea (Various Roads)(Consolidation of Moving Traffic And Speed Limit) Order 2006 (As Amended) - Schedule 2 - One-Way Streets

| Road | Description | Direction of Permitted Movement |
|--------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Osborne Road | From its junction with Hamlet Court Road to its junction with Balmoral Road | East |
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Comments on the proposals together with the reasons for which they are made should be sent in writing to reach the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) and marked for the attention of the Traffic Management & Road Safety Team at the address below by no later than 7th March 2018

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POWER: Marko Arnautovic
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Football

West Ham United 2-0 Watford Brian Jeeves reporting from the London Stadium

A GOAL in each half handed West Ham three priceless Premier League points in a well contested but often disjointed encounter on Saturday.

Having seen their seven-match unbeaten league sequence brought to an end at Brighton, David Moyes was looking for a positive response against a Hornets side sitting one place above them in the table.

The Scotsman was handed a boost with the return of striker Marko Arnautovic, while Michail Antonio was handed a start and new signing Patrice Evra was on the bench.

Watford arrived in east London in buoyant mood after brushing Chelsea aside with ease in the week.

Etienne Capoue's attempt was deflected over, while Troy Deeney's header from the resulting corner was beaten away by Adrian as Watford began on the front foot.

Meanwhile, Hornets stopper Orestis Karnezis, blocked with his feet from Joao Mario after Arnautovic had been crowded out.

Mindful that neither side could afford to slip up, chances came at a

premium. Hernandez nodded Mario's pinpoint free-kick firmly beyond Karnezis, only for celebrations to be cut short by an assistant's flag. Then, Karnezis denied Arnautovic from point-blank range as the Hammers began to take a hold.

With their next foray forward West Ham grabbed the advantage. Hernandez made no mistake, heading home from close range after Antonio had broken clear on the left.

Chiekh Kouyate scuffed well wide while Sebastian Prodl nodded clear in the nick of time ahead of Hernandez as West Ham looked to put further daylight between the sides after the break.

Watford came close when a fizzing Jose Holebas dead-ball effort was expertly pushed away by Adrian.

Proceedings had become scruffy with passes drifting astray. Only a horribly off-target header from Richarlison thwarted Watford as they continued to probe.

But before they could make any headway, West Ham doubled their lead. Holebas' clearance deflected off Cresswell, presenting Arnautovic with the simplest of chances.

After the game, Moyes said: "I just said in there that you have to remember, they just beat Chelsea

4-1 in midweek. People say we are close to the bottom bed, and we totally realise that, but we are also pretty close to 9th, 10th 11th too so we have to keep aiming that way."

West Ham have only lost one of their eight top-flight home matches since Moyes took charge and he was hopeful that they were starting to turn their much-maligned home into a fortress.

"I hope that's the case. We have got goals in us, we needed to stop conceding them and we have done a job to make us harder to play against."

"We are getting our injured players back and they are making an impact."

Moyes was pleased with the performance of Arnautovic, but insisted he was keeping the Austrian's feet firmly on the ground.

"He's getting no praise, that's for sure. He's getting told that he has got to keep at it and he is going to be pushed all the way."

"We are telling him he is doing well, but we're not letting him off the hook."

"He only trained three days this week to be fair, but you can see the impact he has for us. He's got power, pace, quality on the ball and he's doing a really good job for us."

Moyes didn't believe starting Arnautovic was a risk, despite the player only returning to training early in the week. "If you get him in the right frame of mind he is very difficult to play against."

Frustrated Watford chief Javi Gracia said: "The last match showed us how we can get points by running, fighting, and today we didn't do it enough."

West Ham remain in 12th place, with a five-point buffer from the drop zone. They return to Premier League action on Saturday, February 24 when they take on Liverpool at Anfield (3pm).

West Ham United: Adrian, Aaron Cresswell, Pablo Zabaleta, Marko Arnautovic (Declan Rice 84'), Chiekh Kouyate, Mark Noble (capt), Javier Hernandez (Jordan Hugill 88'), Joao Mario (Sam Byram 76'), James Collins, Angelo Ogbonna, Michail Antonio Subs not used: Jose Hart, Jose Fonte, Patrice Evra, Josh Cullen

Watford: Orestis Karnezis, Daryl Janmaat, Sebastian Prodl, Adrian Mariappa, Gerard Deulofeu (Dodi Lukebakio 74'), Troy Deeney (capt), Richarlison (Andre Gray 82'), Abdoulaye Doucoure, Marvin Zeegelaar (Roberto Pereyra 56'), Jose Holebas, Etienne Capoue Subs not used: Daniel Bachmann, Didier Ndong, Andre Gray, Andre Carrillo, Joy Mukena

Referee: Graham Scott
Assistants: Andy Garrett, Mark Scholes
Fourth Official: Roger East
Attendance: 56,917

Resurgent Blues get the better of league leaders Wigan

Southend United 3 Wigan Athletic 1 From Rowland Lyons at Roots Hall

CHRIS Powell becomes the first permanent Southend boss to mastermind a hat-trick of opening wins, as his side overturned the form books to trounce the league leaders on Saturday.

Michael Turner, Marc-Antoine Fortune and Michael Lightly were on target as the Blues' climb up the table continued. Sub James Vaughan nodded home the Latics' consolation.

The Blues enjoyed a dream start when the unmarked Turner arrived at the back post to nod home McLaughlin's third minute free-kick.

The visitors didn't muster a reply until 17 minutes, but Nick Powell scuffed his close range shot wide.

Simon Cox let fly two minutes later and was only inches away from doubling the hosts' lead.

Wigan then began to play some of the football that has seen them take the division by storm, but Mark Oxley was equal to Powell's 31st minute free-kick, before the recalled Anton Ferdinand did well to block Michael Jacobs' 20-yarder.

Having ridden the storm, a fine move started down the right on 36 minutes by Jason Demetriou, which saw Dru Yearwood find Michael Lightly, who in turn fed Cox.

Unselfishly, the striker played in Fortune, who beat Christian Walton with an angled drive.

Cox should have put the game out of reach before the interval, but could only volley over Ben Coker's cross.

Ferdinand went close on 52 minutes, forcing Dan Burn into a last-ditch clearance, before Lightly missed from a Cox slide-rule pass.

But Wigan hit back and Vaughan served warning with a header that only just flew over the bar.

For the first time Southend switched off and allowing Nathan Byrne to cross, Vaughan glanced home on 66 minutes.

Wigan appeared to have the upper hand and barely three minutes later Burn should have levelled, but his towering header from a Powell corner was well wide.

Athletic had a 73rd minute penalty claim waved aside when Turner appeared to fell Powell a yard inside the area. Will Grigg then went too close for comfort, with a header nine minutes from time.

However, barely two minutes later, after another spell of pressure, Lightly rammed home a short Cox pass.

Inspired, Southend ended on the front foot – sub, Shayon Harrison, inches away from grabbing a debut goal with a shot that only just dribbled wide of Walton's far post.

Deep into stoppage time Wigan

had another penalty claim denied after Demetriou appeared to pull back Powell, who was about to shoot.

A satisfied Powell said: "Wigan have got some firepower, but, we stood up to it."

"It was a very satisfying 90 minutes today. We are slowly moving forward."

Southend: Mark Oxley, Jason Demetriou, Anton Ferdinand, Michael Turner, Ben Coker (capt), Dru Yearwood, Michael Timlin, Stephen McLaughlin, Michael Lightly (Jermaine McLaughlin 90'), Simon Cox (Shayon Harrison 85'), Marc-Antoine Fortune (Freddie Ladapo 70'), Subs (not used): Nathan Bishop, Michael Klass, Harry Kyprianos, Elvis Womono

Wigan: Christian Walton, Nathan Byrne, Chey Dunkley, Dan Burn, Sam Morsy, Max Power, Michael Jacobs (Gary Roberts 61'), Nick Powell, Gavin Massey (James Vaughan 61'), Will Grigg. Subs (not used): Jamie Jones, David Perkins, Alex Bruce, Ryan Colclough, Jay Fulton

Referee: Andy Woolmer
Assistants: Nigel Luong, Akl Howsen
Fourth Official: David Spain
Attendance: 7,623

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Non-league round-up

Clarets late show sinks Dartford

By Brian Jeeves

TAYLOR Miles scored directly from a corner four minutes into stoppage time as Chelmsford City completed an incredible National League South comeback to sink Dartford 2-1 at Princes Park.

It was looking like a frustrating afternoon for Rod Stringer's men who trailed to a Ryan Hayes goal shortly after the half-hour mark.

However, Kudus Oyenuga looked to have salvaged a point with an 86th-minute penalty before Miles sent the travelling City contingent wild in the final seconds.

Elsewhere in the South section, East Thurrock United played out a goalless draw with Eastbourne Borough at Rookery Hill. But there were frustrating defeats for Concord Rangers, by a single goal at Weston-Super-Mare, and Braintree Town who went down 2-0 against Bath City at Cressing Road.

In the National League's top division, Dan Holman rescued a valuable point for Leyton Orient against Tranmere Rovers at Brisbane Road. The former Colchester United striker found the net early in the second period after Ritchie Sutton had given the Birkenhead outfit the lead on the stroke of half-time.

But it was another frustrating afternoon for Dagenham & Redbridge, who went down 2-0 against title-chasing Aldershot Town at Victoria Road. Jim Kellerman and Scott Rendell with the Shots' goals early in each half.

Bostik League Premier Division leaders Billericay Town had a tough afternoon at Metropolitan Police. But goals from Jake Robinson and Ricky Modeste ensured the Blues a share of the spoils from a zesty encounter.

But it was a disappointing day for Thurrock, who lost 2-0 at Harrow Borough.

George Purcell bagged a brace as Bostik North leaders, AFC Hornchurch saw off Haringey Borough 2-1 at Bridge Avenue – Lionel Stone with a late reply for the plucky visitors.

Charlee Hughes scored just after the hour mark as Bowers & Pitsea continued their own promotion push with a 1-0 success at Waltham Abbey.

Meanwhile, Matthew Price hit a hat-trick, while Harrison Chatting, Juan Luque and Ryan Henshaw were on target as Heybridge Swifts thrashed Ware 6-1.

Ryan Cosson struck early as Aveley won 1-0 at Potters Bar Town, while Grays Athletic and Maldon & Tiptree played out a 2-2 draw at Parkside. Stanley Muguo and Tommy Wade salvaging a point for the hosts after James Shepherd and Joe Ellul had earlier given the Jammers a two-goal advantage.

Tilbury played out a goalless draw with AFC Sudbury while Romford had a frustrating afternoon, going down 2-0 to Dereham Town at Ship Lane.

In the Essex Senior League, leaders Redbridge and fellow promotion hopefuls Basildon United were left frustrated when their clash at the Oaks Stadium fell foul to a waterlogged pitch.

It was a similar story for Hullbridge Sports' match with West Essex and Barking's clash with Wadham Lodge. Great Wakering Rovers made ground on the leaders with a 1-0 win over Takeley at Burroughs Park. Southend Manor were also 3-2 winners on the road against Sporting Bengal United. Woodford Town (2017) played out an exciting 2-2 draw with Burnham Ramblers, while Waltham Forest's match with FC Romania ended 1-1.

Selected action from the ProKit UK Essex Olympian League saw Catholic United win their Premier League derby at Leigh Ramblers 3-0. White Ensign were also 3-0 winners, Bishop's Stortford Swifts the fall guys at the Len Forge Centre.

In Division One, Great Baddow were 3-2 winners at Shenfield AFC, while Old Southendian and Runwell Sports played out a 2-2 draw at Garon Park.

In the Essex Junior Cup quarter-final, Old Southendian Reserves made progress with a narrow 2-1 success at Academy Soccer.



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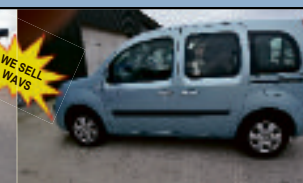
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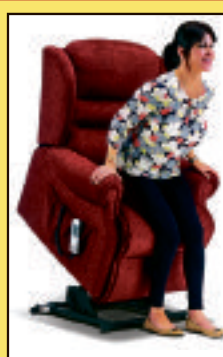


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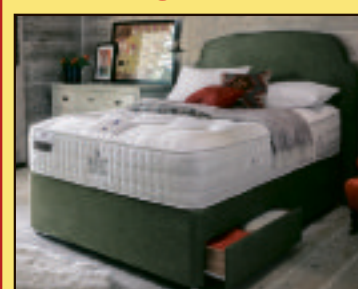


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